eWiSACWIS Quality Improvement Project
Steering Committee

Role
Coordinate direction and delegate and assign resources for the eWiSACWIS Quality Improvement Project.

Meetings
Bi-weekly or as determined by the group membership. Meetings include a face-to-face kickoff and wrap up; all other meetings will be held via teleconference or web conference.

Membership
The Steering Committee members are:

- Sue Reinardy, Committee Chair, Department of Health & Family Services (DHFS) Administrator, Management and Technology;
- Alan Stauffer, Waupaca County Department of Health & Human Services, Manager, Children & Families Division;
- Allen Parks, Brown County Department of Human Services, Director;
- Bill Fiss, DHFS, Deputy Administrator, Division of Children and Family Services;
- Dee Jaye Miles, Green County Human Services, Children, Youth & Families Supervisor;
- Denise Webb, DHFS, Chief Information Officer/Director, Bureau of Information Systems;
- Diane Gates, LaCrosse County Human Services, CPS Ongoing Supervisor;
- Erik Pritzl, Dane County Department of Human Services, Social Work Supervisor;
- Fred Johnson, St. Croix County Health & Human Services, Director;
- Jenell Venne, Bureau of Milwaukee Child Welfare, Site 5, Social Worker
- Jesse Mireles, Waukesha County Department of Health & Human Services, Human Services Manager;
- John Tuohy, DHFS, Director, Office of Program Evaluation and Planning;
- Jon Angeli, Grant County Department of Social Services, Director;
- Julie Jensen, Marathon County Department of Social Services, Social Work Supervisor;
- Mark Campbell, DHFS, Director, Bureau of Bureau of Programs and Policies;
- Mark Sarvela, DHFS, Bureau of Milwaukee Child Welfare, Program Evaluation Manager;
- Sarah Mueller, Sheboygan County Health & Human Services Department, Social Worker;
- Stuart Maples, Manitowoc County Human Services Department, Computer Technician-Trainer;
- Tom MacDonald, LaFayette County Human Services, Director;

The Project Manager, Mary Ellen Havel-Lang, serves the group in an advisory, non-voting, capacity. Others serving the committee include:
- Amy Johnson, CGI-AMS, eWiSACWIS Vendor Manager;

- Beth Wydeven, DHFS, eWiSACWIS Functional Manager;
- Dave Verban, The Management Group (TMG), Program Information & Management Analyst
- Gary Groth, Assistant Area Administrator, Southeastern Regional Office;
- Joyce Rose, DHFS, WiSACWIS Project Director;
- Peter Tropman, The Management Group (TMG), Principal; and
- Steve McDowell, DHFS, eWiSACWIS Technical Manager;

Decision Making

Reaching consensus is the preferred decision making method for the group. In the absence of consensus, substantial agreement among group members is sufficient. Voting is one way to determine substantial agreement. The guiding principle for member voting is to consider the impact on the project as a whole.

Voting may occur in the following arenas, but is not limited to:
- New initiatives, such as development of strategies, policies and standards
- Priority of initiatives
- Significant changes to policies and standards

Each of the members has one vote. An affirmative vote from a majority is required for passage. The Executive Sponsor will only vote to break a tie.

Discussion and polling among team members is another way to determine substantial agreement. If there is no disagreement, the decision is made. If a small number (e.g. 1 or 2) of members disagree or have reservations, they will be asked if they can support the decision and live with it even if it's not exactly what they would prefer.

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